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Mail Fraud Trial

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.— Attorney F. Lee Bailey took over his own defense in the government's mail fraud trial against him, businessman Glenn W. Turner and seven others.

The decision by Bailey to represent himself was revealed when U.S. District Judge Gerald B. Tjoflat introduced attorneys to prospective jurors.

Earlier, Turner, Bailey and the other defendants watched as about a fourth of the 191 prospective jurors asked to be excused from the trial. The defendants have been charged with 28 counts of mail fraud linked to the promotion of Turner pyramid sales businesses.